



Flathead County
Emergency Medical Services
Administrative Board

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EMS Administrative Board Meeting
August 15, 2011
Flathead Emergency Communications Center

Members Present

Wayne Miller, MD
Patti Poe for Velinda Stevens
Bob Kun
Jason Spring
Chuck Curry

Others Present

Mary Granger
Scott Sampey
Jill Cheman
Darla Katzenmeyer
Dave Dedman
Lance Westgard
Kris Long
Bill Norton

Absent

Velinda Stevens

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Dr. Miller at 1:32p.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION to approve agenda as received, Spring
SECOND, Kun
Approved

Approval of Minutes

MOTION to approve Minutes for July 18, 2011 with no modifications, Kun
SECOND, Spring
Approved

Citizen Comments

None

Board Members Miller welcomed Sheriff Chuck Curry to the board and welcomed Patti Poe sitting in for Velinda Stevens. Miller explained that because the board is appointed by the Commissioners only board members could vote.

EMS Manager Report – Mary Granger

Granger presented FY 2010-2011 and FY 2011-2012 operation budget status report. Granger explained the funds that were carried over from 2011 FY budget for New World upgrade will be moved into a capital improvement fund. Miller pointed out the increase in the training line item. Granger stated that the other contracted line item was increased to provide scholarships for the Rocky Mountain Rural Trauma Symposium. Miller asked about the difference in the educational supplies, Granger explained that 2011 FY EMS office purchased equipment that will not be

needed in 2012 FY. The budget also shows EMS portion of the utilities for the FECC and the added line item for Professional Services for Dr. Briles.

Granger presented the board with the update run volumes for June and July.

Miller updated the board on information from Bigfork Fire/EMS on calls for service from Lake County and if they receive any funds from their EMS levy.

Granger advised the board on Olney Fire/EMS board members resigning. The department is still operating under the Commissioners.

Granger presented and updated the board on the meeting she had with the transport agencies talking about Triage Tuesday, a new program that is being started on the first Tuesday in September to help train and keep agencies current on using triage tags, also discussed proper use of the triage cards. Agencies asked for some policies to be made on certain calls for service and discussion on cooling patients that recover a pulse after CPR.

EMD update- Granger and Sampey met with the KRMC ED Doctors and discussed the new EMD. Some questions were brought up about under dispatching ALS calls and Granger explained that there will be a system in place to monitor dispatches as part of Quality Control. Training for the dispatchers will begin in September and the new EMD system will go on line around the first of November.

Simulcast Grant Granger updated the board on the simulcast grant. This would link all communication towers in the county together while dispatching off of County Fire/EMS channel. The matching funds for EMS would be about \$10,000 to \$11,000. The EMS User Group recommended that the matching funds come from the operations account 2273. Miller asked for a motion to fund the matching funds out of 2273 if the grant is approved. Miller opened discussion on topic. Spring questioned why use funds out of 2273 and not 2272. Granger explained that the 2273 is an operation fund and 2272 is more of a training and Systems Administration fund. Miller explained that this topic would come back up for discussion if the grant was awarded, Granger agreed. Sampey explained that this would go towards the 2013FY budget, so we can budget for this next year.

MOTION to approve – Curry

SECOND – Kun

Approved

911 Funding Committee The board discussed the report from the 911 funding sub-committee. This sub-committee's report was reviewed by the 911 board and Curry told EMS board that no action was made by the 911 board. Granger did express that the agencies would ask the EMS board for support on this issue if needed.

Other Business/future Agenda Requests September board meeting will be as needed

Old Business Miller asked about the drug disposal protocol. Granger and Briles need to get together on this issue. Miller talked about the business plan or a county plan. Miller would like the user advisory group to revisit this. Granger recommended that the advisory group review the plan and see what goals have been made and where we need to go.

Board Member Comments

None

Next meeting scheduled for September 19, 2011 as needed

Meeting Adjourned Motion to adjourn by Spring and second by Kun. Motion carried. 2:17pm

James Brower, Recorder